City Council Introduction: July 18, 2005 Bill Number 05R-167

Public Hearing: <u>July 25, 2005</u>

FACT SHEET

TITLE: Proposed Resolution to increase **SPONSOR**: Public Works/Utilities

Water Use Charges

OPPONENTS: Unknown

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: For

APPLICANT: Public Works/Utilities

REASON FOR LEGISLATION: To establish a new schedule for water use charges to increase revenues for the Lincoln Water System for purposes of covering the costs of the Capital Improvements Program for F.Y. 2005-06 through F.Y. 2010-11 and to allow the issuance of additional revenue bonds for the same purpose.

DISCUSSION

The Public Works/Utilities Department recommends that the current schedule of water use charges be increased as follows:

The Lincoln Water System is proposing to implement these increases with the billing cycle commencing November 15, 2005, and ending January 15, 2006.

Current Schedule	New Schedule
Residential Property: 93¢/HCF for the first 800 C.F. of water per dwelling unit per month	99.5¢
128¢/HCF for the first 1,500 C.F. of water per dwelling unit per month	138¢
189¢/HCF for all additional water used each month	210¢
Schedule B Customers:	
93¢/HCF for the first 8,000 C.F. of water used each month	99.5¢
128¢/HCF for all additional water used each month	138¢
Schedule C Customers:	
87¢/HCF for water usage less than base to 5% above base	93.5¢
91¢/HCF for water usage 5% - 15% above base	97.5¢
95¢/HCF for water usage 15% - 25% above base	101.5¢
100¢/HCF for water usage for all water usage over 25% above base	106.5¢

This proposed rate schedule affects the average monthly residential bill by an increase of \$1.02.

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